

The Contest JUG



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PREVIEW OF COMING FUN AND FRUSTRATION

- Nov. 19-20 Sweepstakes Phone (12-26-77)
26-27 CQWW CW
28 NCCC SS Post Mortem Meeting,
AS&L Bldg, Hayward, 7:30
p.m.
Dec. 3-4 160 Meter Contest
10-11 10 Meter Contest
17 Christmas/Awards Banquet,
Athens Restaurant, San
Jose.

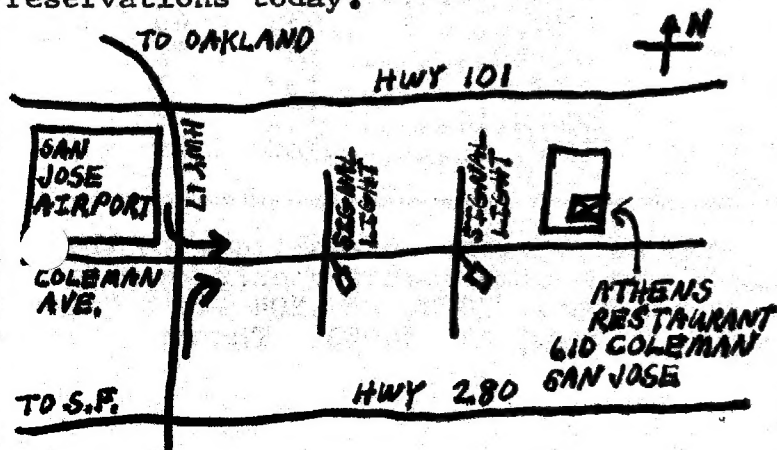
WOW. THOSE BELLYDANCERS!

The annual NCCC Christmas Dinner/Awards Banquet will be held Saturday night, December 17th, at the Athens Restaurant in San Jose (see map below). Mark your calendar today! We will be treated to a fine New York Steak dinner, complete with dessert. The dinner price is \$9.00, including tip and tax.

You can make your reservations with either WA6VEF (538-0520), K6SG (916-944-3838), or WB6DSV (739-4233), or on the 80 meter net or at the November meeting. It is absolutely imperative to have an accurate number of attendees prior to December 7th, so please make your reservations before that date.

As you know, the evening will be filled with fun, good food, and awards, not to mention the excellent floor show promised by the Athens Restaurant.

Remember, December 17th, 6:30 p.m. cocktails, 7:30 p.m. dinner. Make your reservations today!



PRESIDENTIAL PARDONS

What a TEAM!! You guys did a great job on SS CW and have gotten your club off on a good run for the gold. It is known that our arch rival in the East is pouring on the coal to try and regain their prominence as #1, but we know better. They may have more members, but it is quality and determination that will bring us through to Gavel Three. Or, to put it another way--"Gavel Three for N-triple-C!!!"

There has been a lot of usual analysis about the operating tactics used and found worthwhile on CW. In general, it has been observed that the operating attitude of the masses has definitely changed. Whereas in prior years the usual method was to CQ and "run the pile-up" now only on rare occasions would stations remain on frequency to respond without calling another CQ. The top two (apparently) NCCC stations did do a lot of CQing, but most others who did very well found themselves doing much more "searching and pouncing" than usual. One operator, N6NT (op of W6HX), spent until Sunday hunting and pouncing, then turned to CQing to work the rest of the "pack" that would not be CQing, but would be answering. The motto seems to be, "MOVE MOVE MOVE MOVE."

You also undoubtedly noticed that 20 CW ran from 14020 to above 14100! The KZ5 that I missed was very active and did a lot of CQing, even on 40. His call?--KZ5FR. VE8 was somewhat hard to come by, but was found mostly on 20 on Sunday afternoon. I am sure that the ragchewers will definitely find that the bands will literally explode on the SS phone weekend.

Our major goal at this point in time is to get every possible station available on for the phone weekend. If everybody gets on for the club, we can be rest assured that we will again be Number One. This is the best chance with good conditions and extreme activity to

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PARDONS (from Page 1)

have a lot of fun. Both 15 and 10 afford a tremendous opportunity for smaller stations to rack up a nice score for your club. Even 20 is in good shape.

K6AYA has to get the award for the greatest KBSS effort. Pat was seriously injured just before the SS in a motorcycle accident, and as he was lying in the emergency room, he was making arrangements to have someone operate his station. We all hope you're feeling better, Pat.

The CQWW is, indeed, an NCDXCC function. Phone had little planning, but if you are in need of ops or seeking a station for CW, get in touch with me. All summary sheets (copy) also go to me at P.O. Box 696, Los Altos, CA 94022. Let's unwind from SS into CQWW and K some B in DX!

Remember that the first couple to four/five hours in SS are the highest rate times of all. Move around and keep the rate up, forgetting the dupe sheet if necessary. Ice water will keep your tonsils from dehydrating. Get the right mental set and pour it on, guys!

Catch us if you can, East Coast!! The West Coast Steamroller is on the move...

73 and KB,

Tom N6BT

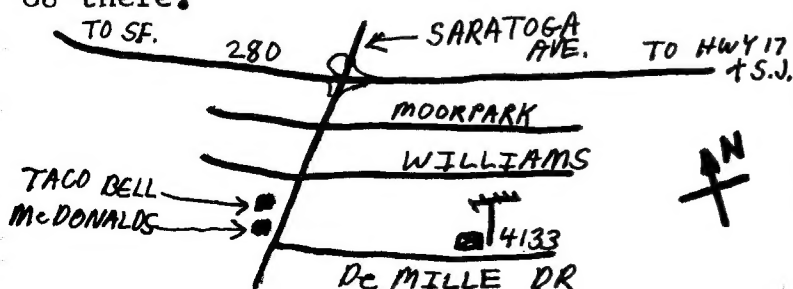
HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

Date: November 23rd (Wednesday)
Time: 8 p.m. +
Place: N6RQ, 4133 DeMille Drive,
San Jose
What: A birthday party!

N6RO and WLARR/6 will be co-hosting a birthday party for themselves at the Hotel DeMille the night before Thanksgiving--and all NCCGers are invited. (XYLs and girlfriends, too.)

Beer, wine, and soft drinks will be provided, although you're welcome to bring your own if you prefer.

For more info, or if you get lost on the way, Ken's phone number is 249-7447. CU there!



NCCC SCOREBOARD

CQWW Phone

N6RO (+N6TU, WA6HJV,1999	117	240
N6LC, W6LH, WLARR,		
WA6VEF, WB6CBJ, WB6UOC, & WB6SHD, M/M)		
W6XR (single-op).....1749	97	215
K0DQ/6 (single-op).....1530	101	202
W6OKK (+WB6DSV, K6AYA, ..1324	113	234
and WA6OEC, M/S.		
WA6IQM (M/S).....1255	109	214
W6YX (N7MH and others, ..1198	75	166
M/S)		
N6KT (+WB6PYI, M/S).....1055	87	165
WA6JUD (+N6SF and1055	96	?
WA6DGX, M/S)		
WB6NHF.....900+	?	?
K7OX (20M single band)....783	35	85
K6HIH (single-op).....175	61	93

CQW 1977

WB6NHF.....1164	57
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Maxi-Test: September 13th.

	Q's	Mult	Pwr
1. W6RGG (WA6VEF op).....68	31	H	
2. WB6DSV.....53	21	H	
3. K6XO.....35	19	H	
4. N6BT.....35	17		
5. WA6HJV.....33	12	L	
6. WB6UOC.....27	8	L	
7. N6NE.....25	8	L	
8. N6VV.....6	3	H	

Maxi-Test: October 11th.

	Q's	Mult	Pwr
1. N6BT.....31	10	H	
2. N6TU.....26	10	H	
3. WA6GJH (WA6VEF op)....25	10	L	
4. WB6UOC.....22	9	L	
5. N6LC.....20	9	L	
6. K6STI.....8	3	H	

CW CD Party

N6RO.....950	69
N6TV.....832	66
WA6VEF.....280	59
N6BT.....167	?
N6NE.....111	42
N6TU.....100	30

Any corrections or additions to the most recent Club roster should be made through Bruce, N6TU, at 1204 Awalt Drive, Mountain View, CA 94040. Thanks.

GAVEL #3--HERE WE COME!

Are you ready for this, guys? The CW SS was bigger and better than last year! More stations were active and, to date, our average score per station is higher than in past years. So many smaller stations did so well this year, it looks like propagation favored stations with lower antennas.

Anyway, the numbers. With 64 entries accounted for and 4 scores still outstanding, our unduped total comes to-----5,343,000 points! That's about 400K more than our score after the CW weekend last year!

With our proven strength to administer the KB formula, the phone weekend looks very good already. Added to the score you see now, a good phone effort will put another SS win under our belt, and the East Coast will again feel the sting of defeat.

Be sure to get your logs mailed by December 26th, and please send a copy of the summary sheet to either myself (WA6JUD) or the JUG Editor (WA6VEF) to insure your KB awards.

Prizes this year include the SS Proficiency Award and the W6RGG-sponsored "KB-200" Award. In addition, the highest single-op phone and CW finishers will get all the beer and pizza they can drink and eat, courtesy of WA6JUD.

Also, a special prize is being given this year to the little gun (single-op) who scores the highest with a tri-bandier and wires on 40 and 80, or less. The CW op will get a Ham-key paddle, and the phone op will receive a Shure 444 mike, compliments of WA6JUD and "The Base Station."

Don't forget the "Jughead Memorial Award," sponsored by WA6VEF. The prize of a gallon of Canto Mountain Burgundy (\$1.98 net) will be awarded to the operator who works the most NCCC members during both the CW and SS weekends combined. Entries must be received by VEF no later than December 10th.

CW Sweepstakes Scores:

N6BT.....	1097	74
W6XR.....	1031	74
K6XV.....	1046	73
N6RA.....	1045	73
N6BV.....	998	74
K7OX.....	986	72
K6RV (N6OP op).....	960	73
W6YX (M/O).....	926	74
N6MG.....	903	75
W6JZU (WLARR and.....)	926	73
WA6HLTV ops)		

N6CN.....	890	74
N6TU.....	865	74
W6MSF (WA6VEF op).....	886	72
WB6DSV.....	850	75
N6IG.....	850	74
K6DC (+WA6DGX).....	870	72
N6GG.....	830	74
N6EE (+WB6IUK).....	820	73
K6HIH (+K6AUC).....	806	73
N6KB.....	789	75
N6CT.....	800	73
N6RZ.....	800	73
K6OQ.....	779	75
W6BIP (+WA6DJI).....	745	74
N6JV.....	743	73
N6LC (+WB6UOC).....	745	72
K6SG.....	705	74
K6BR (N6HT op).....	708	71
W6TPH.....	656	72
K6AYA (WA6OEC op).....	677	71
K6XM.....	642	73
N6RO.....	653	68
WA6JUD.....	650	68
WB6PCO (+WB6SHD and.....)	609	70
WA6FAK)		
K6FB (WB6JGS and.....)	561	73
WA6RIR ops)		
N6VV.....	560	73
N6CY.....	535	72
K6RU.....	507	74
K6MA (N6KT op).....	561	65
W6YKM (M/O).....	502	68
WA6GFY (WB6EXW op).....	506	67
N6NE.....	521	71
K6ZM.....	477	71
W6NKR.....	430	73
W6YL (WA6HCI and.....)	458	65
WB6PYI ops)		
K6RM.....	421	71
K6PJY.....	411	71
W6CNA.....	350	73
W6BB.....	304	63
N6PO.....	303	63
WA6AVS.....	283	62
N6DM.....	184	70
K6CSL.....	180	56
WA6ITV.....	151	46
W6TMT (WB6NPZ op).....	133	51
WA6QCZ.....	119	47
WA6UOM.....	136	39
WA6HAF.....	120	40
K6ILM.....	97	41
KØDQ/6.....	10K	
K6ZX.....	85	40
W6LH.....	50	15
N6VB.....	85	?

Scores still needed for K6STI, WA7NIN, W6XB, N6JM, W6NLZ, and WA6DIL.

Judging from the fact that George, WØUA, told me that his radio club is out

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GAVEL #3 (from Page 2.33)

to win one of the Club awards the NCCC is sponsoring this year, I'd say we're getting to be a pretty prestigious organization. And, in order to keep up that image, I personally want to see all of us with a rig get on for Phone SS and give the biggest, best, hardest, butt kicking effort possible this weekend. Looking forward to hearing all of you kicking.

Carl WA6JUD
Your Co-ordinator

GEEZ, WE DIDN'T EVEN
HAVE A MEMBERSHIP DRIVE...

A big welcome to twelve (12) new NCCC members:

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Arie, WA6QCZ, is 15 years old and has a General Class license. He has a Drake TR-4, tri-bander, and inverted vees. Arie operates 50% CW and 50% phone, and has been in SS and the Novice Round-up.

Ken, W6XB, holds an Extra and has been licensed for over 15 years. He owns Heath gear, and likes SS and DX contests. Ken operates 70% CW and 30% phone.

WB6TJC is 38 and holds a General Class license. Phil uses Drake gear, a 4-el Hy-gain antenna, and dipoles, and has won the Monterrey County section twice in the CQP. He also holds DXCC.

Dick, W6CNA, is 37 years old and has a General ticket. Preferring CW, he operates with Drake gear, a TH-3, and dipoles on 40 and 80. Dick has operated in the CQP and ARRL DX, and holds DXCC (240/237), WAZ, and WPX.

Ray, W6TMT, is also 37, a General Class licensee, and has been on the air for 17 years. He operates 90% CW and 10% phone.

Bill, W6TPH, holds an Advanced, and has been licensed for 23 years. Bill has two different operating QTHs, one in Los Gatos, and the other in Georgetown which sports a TS-520S, V-beams for 10, 15, 20, and 40, and inverted vees for 80 and 160. Contest experience includes SS, CQWW, ARRL DX, Can/Am, VE/W, and CQP.

WB6DEO, Greg, is 18 and has an Extra Class ticket. He has been in ARRL DX tests, SS, and CD Parties. Greg is 50-50 on CW/phone preference.

Alec, W2JU, is 21 and an Extra Class licensee. Another Standfordite, he operates 75% CW and 25% phone. Alec has operated in CD Parties, SS, and at "various Murphy multi-multi stations."

WA6VJH, a General, is 19 years old and has been on the air for 3 years. Station equipment includes HW-100, Drake 2B, 4-el 20 meter beam, 15 meter delta loop, and dipoles. Paul has operated in Field Day and CQP.

John, WD6AGJ, is 16 years old and holds a Novice license. He has a TS-520S, SB-303, and a W-51 tower with beams going up soon. Needless to say, John operates 100% CW.

Woody, K5GOE, is a General and has been licensed since 1956. He is in the process of putting up a tri-band quad to supplement his HW-100. Woody has been in the VK/ZL contest and various DX tests, and holds DXCC.

And Scott, WA6FGB, is 18 and has an Advanced Class license. Station equipment includes a Drake C-line, L4B, tri-bander, and a vertical. He operates about 25% CW and 75% phone, and his contest participation includes Field Day.

THE "GAVEL BOWL": 1977

The Big Game: Nor Cal Contest College
vs. Prolific Virgins Rehabilitation
Event.

Half-time in the Locker Room:

OK men, everyone sit down and listen up. We've all had a good workout in the first half and we have a few sore muscles, but we've really kicked some butt.

Congrats to all those who gained over 1000 Q's in the first half. But, best of all, our core of medium and small stations moved our score up anywhere from 10K to 100K. Barring any penalties for excessive time-outs or offsides, we will push Maryland into the mud again.

Now, for some second half strategy. When you look for a place to CQ, check to see if you'll be stomping on another Club member. Spread out in the band and give our small stations a break. We'll sound like a wall of 6's in Connecticut. Keep the gain down if you're in a high QRM area.

Work more contest clubbers. A QSO with a W1 is one for us and one for them, but a QSO with an NCCer is one for us and none for them. Work the W1s as well, but look for your friends.

Because of good propagation this year, 10 and 15 meters are where the small guns can really ruin the East Coast. Everyone with a rig, get on and work 10 and 15 during the peak hours. We need MORE points. Get on and work your comrades in the NCCC.

Now, before we go out again, I want you to think of only one thing. Whether you lay waste to Washington, destroy WD8s in mass quantities, or relentlessly pursue those VE8s, don't stop, don't get discouraged, and don't give up.

Don't get penalized, and be sure to turn in your logs by December 26th or you will be given a complimentary Wouff Hong treatment at Jack LaLane's Health Spa.

Now put on those phones, get out there, and KICK THOSE BUTTS.

Programs (log, dupe, and summary sheets) are available from W6RGG, WA6ITV, and/or N6TU free of charge.

Coach Swearingen
N6TU

Don't forget to
turn in your score after the Phone SS
on 28,600 kHz.

COMMENTARY FROM THE JUG EDITOR

With the December issue of the JUG, you will be receiving a questionnaire asking you to pick the contests you'd like to see the NCCC concentrate on in 1978, and seeking your opinion on two important issues that the Club is now dealing with.

For the past three years, the NCCC has gone all-out in the Sweepstakes Competition. Recently, I've been hearing talk from a fair amount of people in the Club who feel that we should concentrate more on DX contests, like CQWW and ARRL DX, and phase out big efforts in the SS, especially since propagation seems to be improving. In contrast, others believe that Club participation in domestic contests provides the little and medium gun stations with the best opportunity to make a decent score and feel like they're an important part of the final Club total. (How much fun is it to spend 40-60 minutes in a pile-up trying to work an EL2 on 20 meters when you're running a 4BTW vertical and 100 watts out?)

A major issue that has been facing us for almost a year is the NCDXCC. There's no doubt that the alliance has improved relations between the two clubs and increased Northern California's potential for Affiliated Club score in DX contests. But, many NCCers feel that the Co-operative is a paper organization, and that it really doesn't function as a "Club." They're also concerned about the negative publicity we've received as a result of our affiliation with the NCDXC.

The other major issue concerns the 2nd Class mailings of the JUG. Comparing the average time between JUG mailings and date of reception by Club members, one can safely say that the performance of the United States Post Office has been very, very poor. Because of this lack of reliability, it has been suggested that we scrap the 2nd Class rate, and return to 1st Class mailings, perhaps adding \$1.50 a year to dues to cover added mailing costs.

The NCCC saves approximately \$19 a month by mailing 2nd Class, but is the \$19 worth it if I can't guarantee that you'll receive your JUG in time for a Club meeting, even if I mail it a week and a half in advance of the meeting date?

The NCCC is a group of diverse interests. We need your input, because your input is the only way that the NCCC BoD

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COMMENTARY (from Page 5)

can make the decisions and changes that reflect your wishes as a Club member. When you receive the questionnaire next month, please complete it and mail it. We'd like to hear from you!

Gary WA6VEF

ROSTER UPDATE

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PVRC vs. NCCC

The BoD has decided to exchange news-letters with PVRC. Upon examining their publication, it is apparant that they are getting the best of the deal. It is also apparant that they have gone to the Marxist-type co-ordinator system with "cells" and oblasts in order to motivate their troops. They are obviously suffering from a severe morale problem. I am really pleased to be a part of such a fun, innovative, and enjoyable group of radio amateurs. The JUG is by far the best club publication in current circulation. Let's keep contesting fun. Support the NCCC and the JUG, and most of all, "Enjoy."

-N6TU-

EVERY TUESDAY EVENING

7:30 p.m.

3815 kHz

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONTEST CLUB NET

October QNI:

3) N6TU, WA6HJV, and K6HIH.

2) N6KB, N6BT, K7SS, K7RA, WB6UOC, WA6JUD, WB6DSV, K7OX, N6HT, N6VV, WA6VEF, and W6YX.

1) WA6OEC, N6KT, W6RTT, N6NE, WB6BRM, N6CN, K6AYA, N6RO, W6NLG, K7TU, N6NT, N6RZ, W7KUI, WB5NBC, N6VR, W6AM, W6UE, KØDQ/6, WØUA, K6OQ, K6SE, N6TJ, W6AZ, K6PJY, K6SG, K6FB, W6BB, and N6IH.

Find out what's happening in the Club, and sharpen your operating skills by participating in the weekly Mini-Test.

Check into the NCCC Tuesday Night Net!

NOTEWORTHY NOTICES

Club QSL cards and badges can be ordered through W6RGG. Cards run \$18.50 per thousand, and badges are \$2.75 apieceLook for results from the 1977 California QSO Party in the next month..... The NCCC can keep \$1.50 of your dues if you renew your ARRL membership through the Club. Just send your renewal application with a \$12 check payable to "N 3" to WA6DGX, 2117 Rose St. #2, Berkeley, CA 94709. Ron will take out the \$1.50 and send the remainder to League headquarters.

Carl, W6MSF, has two antenna rotors for sale, 415-941-9592.

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